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25X1 1. [] JMM) In the absence of Senator Harry Byrd, I talked to his Administrative Assistant, Forrest Rettgers, regarding the Baker amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526). This amendment would strike from the bill a provision restricting the dissemination of information abroad which would be of serious concern to the Agency. Rettgers said he would pass my message to Senate Byrd, who was presently in a committee hearing, as soon as he could get in touch with him.

25X1 2. [] JMM) Called Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee, and in his absence explained to Jack Ticer, of the Committee staff, that the Director just talked to Senator Stennis regarding the motion by Senator Baker to strike from the Foreign Relations Authorization Bill (S. 3526) Section 205 which would restrict the dissemination of information abroad by Federal agencies. I told Ticer that Senator Stennis had told the Director that he was sympathetic to our problem and would like us to provide Ed Braswell with appropriate backup material. I said we had already provided such material but if Braswell wanted us to provide anything additional he should let us know promptly. Shortly afterward Ticer called back and said he'd mentioned the foregoing to Braswell and Braswell said he had all the information he needed.

25X1 3. [] JMM) In the absence of Senator Gordon Allott I talked to Jack Ware, his Administrative Assistant, whom I asked to thank the Senator in behalf of the Director for his support yesterday on the motion by Senator Scott to strike the troublesome amendment from the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526).

I told Ware that the Agency was also concerned about another amendment which Senator Baker planned to move against today--Section 205, which would restrict the dissemination of information abroad by Federal agencies. I said we'd greatly appreciate Senator Allott's support in this matter, and Ware said he would convey our concern to the Senator and indicated the Senator would probably be glad to help us.

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25X1 4. [] The Director called Senators Stennis and Young to thank them for their work on the Senate floor yesterday in support of Senator Scott's amendment striking section 504(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526) and urged them and their colleagues to support Senator Baker's amendment on the floor today which would strike section 205 of the bill concerning dissemination of information abroad. OLC members also contacted the following Senator's offices: Hollings, Dominick, Byrd of Virginia, Allott, Jackson, and Spong as well as Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee. Senator Baker's amendment passed the Senate by a vote of 42-26.

I called Bob Mosbacher, Legislative Assistant to Senator Baker, to congratulate him and the Senator on their success this morning and to thank them on their efforts in our behalf. I took this opportunity to invite Mosbacher to visit us for lunch in the near future. He said he would like very much to come out.

25X1 5. [] Accompanied the Director and Messrs. Duckett, DDS&T, and Carver, SAVA, to a briefing of the Intelligence Special Group of the House Appropriations Committee. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 6. [] Carl Duckett and I attended a joint meeting of LIG and SALT representatives in the Cabinet Room of the White House. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 7. [] Called Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, to thank him for his assistance in connection with amendments to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526).

25X1 8. [] Charles Hamel, in the office of Senator Mike Gravel (D., Alaska), called to complain of the Agency's having "botched" the handling of [] whom Gravel had asked us to get in touch with. I said I would look into it.

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